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Docket No.: 826.1768

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Yoichi OIKAWA

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For: OPTICAL SWITCH FOR COMPENSATING FOR DEGRADATION OF OPTICAL
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed April 23, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on July 23, 2003.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.